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Report of the Drafting Committee

Addendum

International cooperation to combat xenophobia

The African Regional Preparatory Meeting for the World Conference on Human Rights,

Concerned by the extent of the phenomenon of xenophobia and its adverse effects on the preservation and consolidation of human rights,

Considering that a combination of legal action and economic and social initiatives is required to contain this new scourge,

Referring to Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities resolution 1992/5 of 21 August 1992 recommending that the Commission on Human Rights appoint a thematic special rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination and xenophobia,

1. Reaffirms its commitment to safeguarding the rights and full development of vulnerable groups, including migrant workers and their families and foreign students who are often the target of expressions of xenophobia;

2. Believes that it is incumbent upon the international community in general and the States where xenophobia has manifested itself in particular to take concrete measures urgently to combat xenophobia and ensure its eradication;

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3. Supports the recommendation made by the Sub-Commission on Prevention of Discrimination and Protection of Minorities in its resolution 1992/5 that the Commission on Human Rights appoint a thematic special rapporteur on contemporary forms of racism, racial discrimination and xenophobia;

4. Recommends that the special rapporteur be entrusted with the task of carrying out a preliminary study of the phenomenon of xenophobia in order to permit a better definition of this scourge and the elaboration of the appropriate measures required for its eradication, and that he submit his findings to the Commission on Human Rights at its fiftieth session.